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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: SEQUESTERED CARGO FROM SS LASH ESPANA

REF: A. SECDEF 6792/312308Z OCTOBER 1974
B. SECDEF 8117/141834Z NOVEMBER 1974

1. IN JULY 1974, THE GOVERNMENT OF GREECE (GOG) SEQUES-
TERED FROM PRUDENTIAL GRACE LINES SHIP SS LASH ESPANA, IN
THE PORT OF PIRAEUS, THE FOLLOWING TURKEY-BOUND AMMUNITION
ITEMS WHICH THE GOVERNMENT OF TURKEY (GOT) HAD PURCHASED
UNDER FMS:

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DESCRIPTION QUANTITY VALUE

AIR FORCE ITEMS

MK-83 BOMB 1000 LBS.....	300 EA	121,599
MK-81 BOMB 250 LBS SNAKE EYE.	156 EA	18,720
MK-81 BOMB 250 LBS LOW DRAG..	360 EA	42,200
CBU-58 BOMB W/FMS-56 FUZE	410 EA	566,504

ADAPTER BOOSTER NOSE 1180 EA 5,935
M147 ADAPTER BOOSTER TAIL 1170 EA 6,178
MK-82 BOMB 500 LBS 582 EA 81,480
MK-81 BOMB 250 LBS LOW DRAG . 60 EA 7,200
M148 ADAPTER BOOSTER NOSE 240 EA 1,284

ROCKET WARHEAD HEAT 2.75" 5000 EA 53,000
ROCKET WARHEAD HE 2.75" 5000 EA 57,500
TO46E ADAPTER BOOSTER TAIL 1740 EA 9,187
PACKING, CRATING AND HANDLING 3,868
TRANSPORTATION 111,641
SUB TOTAL AIR FORCE 1,086,296

NAVY ITEMS

PROJ 5" 38 CAL 350 EA 31,500
ARMY BRACKET 200 EA 400
CTG 20MM 3000 EA 3,750
CTG 3" 50 VT SD 221 EA 29,929
SMOKELESS POWDER 1600 LBS ... 869
BOOSTER B.C. MK-6 166 EA 324
IGNITOR MK-6 2 BXS ... 7,500
PACKING, CRATING & HANDLING 2,600
TRANSPORTATION 4,085
SUB TOTAL NAVY 80,957
GRAND TOTAL 1,167,253

2. AS INDICATED IN REF A, USG TOOK ACTION TO REPLACE AND

DELIVER THE ABOVE AMMUNITION TO TURKEY AND BILLED THE GOT
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FOR THE ITEMS DELIVERED TO GOT. THE U.S. AIR FORCE AND
U.S. NAVY, HOWEVER, HAVE NOT RECEIVED REIMBURSEMENT FOR
THE AMMUNITION SEQUESTERED BY THE GOG. REF B REQUESTED
THAT ADDRESSEES NOT DISCUSS THIS MATTER WITH GOG PENDING
FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS.

3. WE ARE NOW CONSIDERING APPROPRIATE ACTION TO RESOLVE
THIS LONG OUTSTANDING MATTER. THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS
APPEAR TO BE FEASIBLE:

A. OPTION 1 - REQUEST THE GOG: (A) TO RETURN THE
SEQUESTERED AMMUNITION TO THE USG AT NO ADDITIONAL COST TO
THE USG, (B) TO REIMBURSE THE USG FOR THE PCH&T COSTS
INCURRED IN INITIAL SHIPMENT OF THIS AMMO TO THE PORT OF
PIRAEUS AND (C) TO REIMBURSE USG, AS APPLICABLE, FOR ANY
REPAIR OR RENOVATION COSTS INCURRED IN RESTORING THIS AMMO
TO SERVICEABLE CONDITION.

B. OPTION 2 - REQUEST THE GOG TO PURCHASE THE SEQUESTERED

AMMUNITION WITH ITS OWN RESOURCES.

C. OPTION 3 - USG TAKE ACTION TO ACCOMMODATE WITHIN THE APPROVED \$33 MILLION FY 1977 GREECE MAP, THE SEQUESTERED AMMUNITION AND PCH&T COSTS LISTED IN PARA 1 ABOVE.

4. WHILE WE ENVISION FURTHER DELAY IN COMPLETING THE NEGOTIATIONS REQUIRED UNDER EITHER OPTION 1 OR 2, WE CAN EXECUTE OPTION 3 IMMEDIATELY SINCE THE USG DETERMINES THE VALUE AND APPROVES THE ITEM CONTENT OF MILITARY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS FINANCED WITH U.S. APPROPRIATED FUNDS. HENCE, DOD CAN ISSUE MAP ORDERS TO DOCUMENT THE TRANSFER OF THIS AMMO TO THE GOG AND THEN PROCEED WITH REIMBURSEMENT TO U.S. AIR FORCE AND NAVY ACCOUNTS FOR THE COSTS INCURRED IN EFFECTING THE TRANSFER.

5. REQUEST EMBASSY PROVIDE ITS VIEWS AS TO WHICH OPTION
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WOULD BE THE BEST AND AT WHAT LEVEL WE SHOULD APPROACH THE GOG ON THIS MATTER.
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